ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Blight Andrew

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

ACORDA THERAPEUTICS INC [ACOR]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Director

10% Owner

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify below)

420 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD

(Street)

03/04/2015

Chief Scientifc Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ARDSLEY, NY 10502

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Stock

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

(1)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or (D) Price

Common 03/04/2015

Code V Amount 5,872 A \$0 71,659

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.74	03/04/2015		A	33,278	(2)	03/04/2025	Common Stock	33,278

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Pinseter 10% Owner Officer Officer

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Blight Andrew 420 SAW MILL RIVER ROAD ARDSLEY, NY 10502

Chief Scientifc Officer

Signatures

/s/ Andrew Blight 03/06/2015

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Restricted Shares issued under the Company's 2006 Employee Incentive Plan. The shares will vest 25% every year for four years with vest dates of December 1, 2015, December 1, 2016, December 1, 2017 and December 1, 2018.
- (2) The shares subject to this option vest in equal quarterly installments over four years beginning on January 1, 2015 with the first quarterly installment vesting on April 1, 2015.

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